

# RADIUM REAL CURE, SAYS MME. CURIE

Happy to Be in America With  
Her Daughters—Here  
on May 20.

NEW YORK, May 12 A message of hope and fortitude for those afflicted with cancer was brought to America yesterday by Mme. Marie Curie, discoverer of radium and the world's foremost woman scientist. She arrived in New York with her two daughters, to receive from President Harding, in behalf of the women of America, the Distinguished Service Award for her discovery of radium, which, she said, was destined for use in cancer research. Asked if radium was actually a cure, Mme. Curie said:

"Yes, it is—that is, if it is applied properly."

In the face to the modish attire and debonair bearing of her tall daughters, Mme. Curie seemed a neutral figure. The almost ashen complexion of the thin woman, with gray and gray eyes that show occasional gleams of blue, her simple black tailored dress, her hair, which she had combined to make her apparently the "passionless spirit of pure science."

Have for years wished to see her in person," said, "but my laboratory work and my children have made this impossible for me. Now, by seeing my daughters to see your great country and they share my gratitude to American women for their interest in my work. I desire to thank them through the press."

Customs officials extended to the visitor the courtesy of allowing her to pass for diplomats, thus eliminating all possible inconvenience.

Until Mme. Curie sailed for Europe 25 hours will be marked by daily activity. The itinerary includes visits to Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia, New York, and Boston, and to the mines in Colorado. Harvard and Yale universities and dinners and receptions by scientific societies will be on the schedule.

Curie said that Harding will present the gramme of radium.

## CONSIDER PLAN TO USE FORMER CENSUS BUILDING

Proposal for the conversion of former Emory building on 1st street, formerly occupied by the census bureau into a new office building for the District National Guard is being considered actively today by committees representing the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade and Merchants and Manufacturers' Association.

A preliminary joint meeting of the committee has been held and another is scheduled for early next week. The meeting, the first of the proposal, said today the outlook for the plan is favorable.

It is Mr. Harris' suggestion that a company be organized to purchase, remodel and operate the property in conjunction with the city. The plan is to make the building available for use by the city, and the building can be

Advantages claimed for the plan principally are that it will meet Washington's pressing convention hall needs at an early date, as well as provide quarters for the local units of the U. S. Coast Guard. The building, it is stated, can be remodeled so that it will be capable of seating approximately 1,000 persons. According to Mr. Harper, a convention hall with a seating capacity of 4,000 will meet Washington's need of auditorium facilities fully.

Robert Lawrence, organizing director of the music week, are Gonzaga College, St. Patrick's, Holy Trinity, St. Ann and the Trinity Community House.

Mr. Lawrence today visited Gonzaga College and the Junior High School as well as Dunbar High. He expressed gratification at the enthusiasm of the students and the splendid work held at each of the institutions.

Announcement also was made today that the Lambeau Field band, composed entirely of Masons employed at the navy yard, would be among the organizations participating in the week's work. Four orchestras will be furnished by Walter Holm, orchestras—one group of 100, one of 40, one of 16 and one of pieces.

## DIES IN MILWAUKEE.

City Passes Away.

Mrs. Gertrude W. Browne, wife of Herbert J. Browne of this city, died in St. Louis, Mo., of cancer of the stomach, and her remains and burial were held at Rock creek cemetery today.

Mrs. Browne was the daughter of the late Dr. Charles Abthar White, for many years connected with the National Museum and geological survey. She was born in St. Louis, Mo., had lived in Washington since 1876.

Besides her husband she is survived by her son, Herbert J. Browne, U. S. A., now stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., two daughters, Mrs. Haddy Hirsig and Mrs. M. E. Hirsig, and a sister, Miss Marian White, also living in Washington, and a brother, Dr. Charles White, of Los Angeles.

Herbert C. White and Leland A. White both of the District of Columbia

## EXERCISES AT M. U.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 12.—Cap and gown ceremonies today ushered in the third year of the new university, incident to the formal inauguration of Dr. Lotus D. Coffman as president of the University of Minnesota, which is set for tomorrow.

Led by their president, Vernon Williams, students in cap and gown, marched over the campus to the arena, for exercises there at 2 o'clock. The exercises were to be announced at the convocation.

Educators from several states, members of the board of trustees, and the inauguration of Dr. Coffman. Two of Dr. Coffman's four predecessors will participate in the exercises here for the first time, Dr. Coffman and Dr. Cyrus Northrop, who succeeded him.

Dr. Coffman was elected president a year ago and installed in succession

to Dr. Marion Leroy Burton, July 7, 1920, when the latter was president of the University of Michigan.

**TRADE INTEREST REVIVED**

Germany's acceptance of the allied repatriation demands has promptly stimulated interest of American business in German trade possibilities. The increase in inquiries reaching the State Department concerning trade restrictions, to which officials are now replying, indicates that with the exception of a few articles and a few restrictions, Americans may carry on trade with Germany.

The same feeling apparently was reflected in reports from allied capitals of increased exchange quotations. In this connection, Secretary Mellon said today that he expected the advances recorded in exchange rates would be permanent to some extent.

extent. While the effect of Germany's acceptance upon exchange was largely psychological, Mr. Mellon said, seemed unlikely that exchange would drop again to its previous low rates.

Analysis made by administration officials of the plan for the collection of reparations caused them to declare today that there could be in no serious law. The chief feature, it was declared, was the provision for meeting the fixed payments.